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MAINTENANCE OF ROADS.

Without proper care the most expenaive road may go to ruin in two or three years and the initial expense of constructing it be nearly lost. It is of the greatest importance, therefore, that all good roads should have daily care. They not only wear out, but wash out and freeze out. Water is the greatest road destroyer.

It is necessary to the proper main-tenance of a road that it should "erown" or be higher in the middle than at the sides. If it is flat in the center, it soon becomes concave and its middle becomes a pool or a mudhole if on a level or a water course if on an in-

A hollow, rut or puddle should never be allowed to remain, but should be evenly filled and tamped with the same material of which the surface was originally constructed. A rake should be used freely, especially in removing stones, lumps or ridges. Ruts may be avoided by using wide tires on all wagona which carry heavy loads. If this is not always possible, the horses should be hitched so that they will walk directly in front of the wheels. This can be accomplished by making the double or whifile tree of such length that the ends may be in line with the wheels. A horse will not walk in a rut unless compelled to do so, and consequently if all horses were hitched in this way ruts would eventually disappear from stone roads

If stones are cracked on a road with hammer, a smooth surface is out of the question. Use stone clips for repairing stone roads, and remember that all foreign material and rubbish will ruin the best road and that dust and mud

will double the cost of maintenance.

Ordinarily the chief work done by country people on highways is repairing the damage resulting from neglect. Why this negligence? The adage. "A stitch in time saves nine" can never be applied more appropriately to anything than to the maintenance or repair of all kinds of roads.

HAULING CROPS.

What It Costs to Transport Produce Over Country Roads.

An inquiry of this kind was made in November, 1895, by the United States department of agriculture through its office of road inquiry. Ten thousand circulars were sent out to farmers in all parts of the United States asking for information in these various particulars. Replies were received from over 1,200 counties distributed throughout the United States, and the results were carefully compiled. The weight of loads hauled varied between an average of 2,409 pounds in the prairie states and an average of 1,397 pounds in the cotton states, the average weight of farm loads for the whole country be-

ing 2,002 pounds, or practically a ton.

The average haul was found to be 12 1-10 miles, varying between 3 9-10 miles in the eastern states and 28 3-10 miles in the Pacific and mountain states. The average cost of marketing a ton of crops in the United States was found to be \$3.02. It was as high as \$5.19 in the Pacific coast and mountain states, due to long hauls, and as low as \$1.87 in the northern and eastern states, which are more densely settied and where railroads are numerous and hauls are shorter. The average cost of hauling a ton a distance of one rulls was 25 cents, it being 22 cents in the prairie and Pacific coast and mountain states and rising as high as 82 cents in the eastern states

Mussy.

The quality of mercy is not strained—
It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven
Upon the place cemeath; it is twice blessed—
It bisseth him that gives and him that takes.
The singuitiest in the anotherest; it becomes
The thround monarch better than his crown.
His scoptor shows the force of temporal power.
The attribute to awe and majesty.
Wherein doth six the dread and four of kings,
But mercy is above this scontored sway— Bid mercy is above this sceptored sway—
It is enthroned in the hearts of kings.
It is an attribute to God blanch,
And earthly power doth then show likest God's
When marry seasons justice—Shahuspungs.

Two Went Up to the Temple to Pray. Two went to pray! Oh, rather say One went to brag, the other to pray.

-Führbuspissen.

One stands up close and treads on high. One nearer to God's alter trod: The other to the alter's God. —Hickord Cresher

Live Territorial News.

A Murderer Captured.

he would give him a young goat. This the

boy did. Not returning a search was in-

stituted and he was found some little dir-

tance from home, having been murdered

by Fire, who had beaten his head into an

unrecognizable mass. Fire disappeared

and all trace of him was lost until a few

tays ago when the sheriff's office was noti-

fied that he had been seen in Silver City.

Deputy Sheriff Williams took immediate

steps to apprehend him but he had left

Silver City before he could be placed under

surrounding towns in New Mexico and

Arizona and on Tuesday received a tele-

gram from Cliffon, Arizona, stating that

Fire had been arrested. He procured the necessary papers and left on Wednesday

for that pixes,-Dona Ana County Repub-

Found Dead Near Catskill.

The body of H. Garcia, of Las Vegas,

was found at the charcoal ovens two miles

west of Catekili, crushed under a stack of

railroad ties. The body was found by A.

Sharp. Garcis had pushed away the sup-

port of the stack of ties, † and they fell on

Another Murder.

Engle N. M., Aug. 24. - Fairview,

fifty miles by stage across the plains

cattle and mineral center, was thrown into

a flutter of excitement last evening.

Word has just reached here of a desper-

ate battle. W. J. Spradling, a wealthy

try woman was mounted on a horse en-

route to the general "roundap," when

she was accosted by Spradling, who was

also riding borse back. The stockman,

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defenseless horsewoman. The ball took

of the shooting, and galloping at a break-

nunters gained in wonderful strides, flus-

position to know that the woman was a

him, crushing his head.

arrest.

Mr. Williams sent inquiries to

TOM KETCHUM OWNS UP.

He is the Original Black Jack-The Prisoner Likely to Die-He and McGinnis Given a Hearing.

United States Marshal C. M. Foraker and Sheriff Cicero Stewart, of Rddy county, arrived last evening, bringing with them W. H. McGinnis, charged with train robbery in Union county, and also with the murder of Sheriff Farr of Colorado. They also brought with them Tom Ketchum, one of the men who recently attempted to hold up a train on the Colorado & South-

ern and was shot by the conductor of the train. Tom Ketchum is badly wounded in the right arm by eleven backshot from the gun of the conductor and it is feared that blood-poisoning has set in and that he will die the same as his brother, Sam Ketchum, did at the penitentiary from a wound in the shoulder, a short time ago. Sheriff Stewars, after assisting in delivering the two men at the penitentiary, left last night

for Eddy county.

Tom Ketchum was taken in charge by United States Marshal Foraker at Trinidad, where the outlaw was in the hospital. Ketchum refused to have his arm amputated and attempted suicide. He first saked for a revolver with which to shoot himself. and when that was refused, took the bandages from his arm, when alone wrapped them around his neck and put his foot into the loop, trying to strangle himself. He was unconscious when found and it was two hours before he regained consciousness. At first he was suffen and suriy but later became talkative and told Marshal from this place, and prominent as a Foraker that he had committed a number of robberies, but was not with his brother when the recent train robbery near Folsom was committed. In fact he did not know that his brother was dead until "If I had cattleman was killed and Nellie McKinstry Marshal Foraker told him. "If I had cattleman was killed and Nellie McKinstry known that the train had been held up a young woman from Marion, Ind., was near Polsom only a short time before, I probably fatelly wounded. The McKinswould not have made the attempt a setry woman was mounted on a horse encond time," said Ketchum to Foraker.

Marshai Foraker is convinced that Ketchum is the original Black Jack. Ketchum at first gave his name as Thomas Stevens but admitted later being Tom Ketchum. He said when arrested that the affair at Folsom was his first attempt at train robbing and that he was formerly a peaceable cowboy and was slone in the hold up. But he admitted later having had accomplises in the last hold up at Folsom.

McGinnis was a non-communicative Both prisoners were given a hearing this torenoon at the penitentiary by U. S. Com-

oner J. P. Victory. The prisoners waived examination on the nominal charge of interfering with the United States mail and were asked to furnish #1,000 bond for their appearance at court. More serious charges will be made

It is related that the brother of the Ketchum's at San Angelo, Tex., some months ago supplied Tom and Sam Retchum with money to start in the cattle business in Idaho. The two outlaws afterwards separated and independently sought their old stamping ground in northeastern New Mexico, and without the knowledge of each other resolved to rob the Colorado on nearing the woman, draw roth, passed Southern train, upon different occasions some threatening remark, and at the and both met with disaster.

Gullty of a Foul Murder.

The man wao held up the express condition to the ground. The shot at, lected Fort Stanton. train on the Colorado & Southern on the tracted the attention of a party of carele-17th and was captured at Trinidad, Colo., men who were at the "roundup" a hundhas been identified by the officers of this red pards from the scene. A number of (Yavapat) county as the Camp Verds them discerned the retreating figure of a murderer and a requisition was made man on horse back fissing from the scene to day for his return to Arizona.

United States officers at Santa Fe, N. Spradling had committed the deed, M. When captured, "Black Jack" had A posse immediately started in purthe hand made purse, 45 Colt revolver, sait of the fagitive. Among the bunch anddle and blanket described minutely by was "Pluk" murray, foreman of the Big these at the scene of the crime. The of- Cross cattle outfit, also a deputy sheriff ficials state that the identification is firm, who is a noted plainsman. The man-

The murder for which "Black Jack" ly reaching to within fifty yards of the Ly. is wanted here is one of the most atro- would be murderer, who was spuring his clous crimes known in the history of horse at a frantic gate. He suddenly the territory. July C. R. M. Hogers and halted, wheeled about and fired several Clinton Winfield were shot and instantly shots at the posts. A running fight then killed in an attempt to fob their store at camp Verde. Since then Fheriff Munas from his horse. The posse closed in, and a posse with bloodbounds have been only to find the stockman dead. Six with A. T. & S. F. and F. W. & D. C. Hys. and a posse with bloodhounds have been only to find the stockman dead. Six on the trail which led into New Mexico bullets had penetrated his body and and Cotorado.

strum, residing at Greece; Secures county, will probably recover-ty, was botten on the cheek by what is thought to have been a anake. At first the to the affair. Nalita neKinstry came to thought nothing more of it. The child's Fairview four months ago to keep house face became so swollen that it was upre- for Spradling; The stockman passed ner cognizable, and the little one died with off as his coosts, but it is said by those in great agony the day following.

total atranger previous to her going Arthur R. O'Quinn, there:

When the woman pussed through here she made diligent enquires regarding Sprailing's financial standing, general appearances and other suggestions, denoting her total Ignorance of the man.

It is believed they became mutually acquainted through the medium of newspaper advertising. The dead man was 45 years of age, has been in this region Agent for Schlitz and Anheuser-Busch Brewing companies. for the past fifteen years and had account Six years ago Julian Piro, a goat herder, lated a fortune in cattle investments, called at the home of John Graham, who The mcKinstry woman, it is said, was lives in New Mexico a short distance from formerly an actress. She is of wincome the Southern Pacific railway bridge, and person, fair of features and in the neightold his young son that if he would accomborhood of 30 years of age. pany him to where his herd of goats were

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The climate of the Secramentos is simply superb. It is not excelled by that of any other region. The atmosphere is cool and invigorating and absolutely free from im-

form a scenery unsurp...ssed for its magni-

same time pulled a revolver from a scab- purities. As evidence of the excellence of the clibard and fired at the unsuspecting and mate of this region of New Mexico, it is only necessary to state that the United A telegram dated Jerome, Ariz., effect, striking the fleshy part of her neck. States government, after careful investiga-August 25, gives the following informs- The unfortunate woman reclad, attered a tion of all the country in its vast domain chooking groan, and fell in a tottering best adapted for a marine sanitarium, se-

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The account proves to be "Black neck speed toward the spot the men reach." And is now in the hands of the ed the wounded woman and learned that Railway Co. Central Time.

5:35 Lv. 5:03 Ar. Cartabad McMillan Hagerman

bullets had penetrated his body and head killing him almost instantly. His norse was also wounded. An inquest will rexas & Pac. o By.

Died of Snakebite.

be held at Fairview tomorrow. Dr Ulian' Stages for 1 acoin, White Case and Nogal The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Vind- who attended the woman, says that she in 1750 a. in.

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